

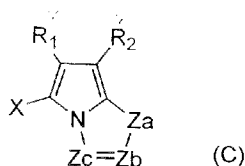
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-20 (canceled).

21. (currently amended): A method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material containing a main coloring coupler by adding to the silver halide color photosensitive material 5-100 mg/m² of ~~by using~~ at least one ~~type of a~~ compound, other than the main coloring coupler, which at least one compound is represented by the following general formula (C):



wherein Z_a represents -NH- or -CH(R₃)-; Z_b and Z_c independently represent -C(R₄)= or -N=; R₁, R₂, and R₃ independently represent an electron attractive group having a Hammett constant σ_p value of 0.2 to 1.0; R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or substituent wherein when there are two R₄ in the formula, they may be the same or different; and X represents a hydrogen atom or substituent.

22. (previously presented): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to claim 21, wherein the addition of the compound represented by the general formula (C) changes a film pAg (Δ pAg_F) of the silver halide color photosensitive material by 0 to 0.3.

23. (previously presented): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to claim 21, wherein the compound represented by the general formula (C) has a pKa value of 6.0 to 8.4.

Claim 24 (canceled).

25. (previously presented): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to claim 21, wherein the method comprises adding, to a red-sensitive silver halide emulsion layer of the silver halide color photosensitive material, the compound represented by the general formula (C), wherein R₁, R₂, Z_a, Z_b and Z_c have the same meanings as those in claim 21, respectively.

26. (previously presented): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to claim 21, wherein the method comprises adding, to a blue-sensitive silver halide emulsion layer of the silver halide color photosensitive material, the compound represented by the general formula (C), wherein R₁, R₂, Z_a, Z_b and Z_c have the same meanings as those in claim 21, respectively.

27. (previously presented): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to claim 21, wherein a layer of the photosensitive material containing tabular grains having an average aspect ratio of 8 or more, contains at least one compound represented by the general formula (C) described in claim 21.

28. (previously presented): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to Claim 21, wherein the compound represented by the general formula (C) has a reactivity (CRV) with an oxidized color developing agent of 0.01 to 0.1.

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Claim 29 (canceled).

30. (currently amended): The method of increasing speed of a silver halide color photosensitive material according to Claim 21, wherein the compound represented by the general formula (C) is added to ~~the~~a silver halide emulsion layer and the amount of addition thereof is 1×10^{-4} - 1×10^{-1} moles per 1 mole of silver in the same layer.